



**Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy Roundtable
MEETING SUMMARY
Wednesday, November 20, 2024
2:00 PM**

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS (Michelle Roman)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Michelle Roman at 2:07 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL (Denise Flores)

Michael Osborn, Provost & Pritchard rep. City of Mendota
Mayor Alma Beltran, City of Parlier
Brian Spaunhurst, Fresno LAFCo
Christopher Xiong, Caltrans District 6
Joe Vargas, City of Fresno, Fresno Area Express
Amy Hance, RTP Roundtable Co-chair City of Clovis Transit - Urban Transit
Janelle Del Campo, Fresno County Rural Transit Agency
Babeeta Nagra, Pacific Gas & Electric Company
Laura Gromis, US Green Building Council Central California
Adam Livingston, Sequoia Riverlands Trust
Matthew Gillian, Inspiration Transportation
Tina Sumner, Fresno Cycling Club
Dr. Anthony Molina, Public Health Advocate
Jose Gutierrez, Westlands Water District
Michelle Roman, Chair, Public at Large
Paul Marquez, Public at Large

17 members were present. Simple majority is 9.5.

II. NEW INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Approve Meeting Minutes for October 23, 2024 [ACTION]

- After an opportunity for public comment, Ms. Sumner (Fresno Cycling Club) motioned, and Mr. Gillian (Inspiration Transportation) seconded to approve the minutes.

Vote: All in Favor, no opposed. The motion passed.

B. SCS Strategies and Initial Preliminary Scenarios [INFORMATION] (Paul Herman)

Summary: The Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) will include the implementation of land-use and transportation strategies that aim primarily to reduce greenhouse gas emissions due to travel, and secondarily to give rise to co-benefits that advance equity and sustainability throughout the Fresno County region. These strategies will help form the basis of how the SCS scenarios will be developed.

COG staff has compiled a list of applicable strategies from multiple sources, including the 2050 California Transportation Plan, and previous RTP/SCS's from Fresno COG's 2022 RTP/SCS and other MPOs throughout the State. COG Staff has also developed an initial set of preliminary scenarios based on the compiled list of applicable

strategies. The SCS Subcommittee will meet over the next several months to further refine the SCS strategies and scenarios. Recommendations from the SCS Subcommittee will then be presented to the RTP Roundtable for discussion, approval and recommendation to the Fresno COG Policy Board for final adoption.

Action: Information only. The Roundtable may provide direction at its discretion.

- Shichen Fan (FCOG) gave a PowerPoint presentation.

This item is informational only, no action is needed.

C. RTP Project Suggestion Outreach Summary [INFORMATION] (Brenda Thomas)

Summary: The transportation needs outreach survey garnered over 1,000 project suggestions from the public. In this presentation, staff will provide a more detailed summary of these suggestions, including breakdowns by mode and jurisdiction, a highlight of popular and most-requested projects, and other useful metrics.

Action: Information only. The Roundtable may provide direction at its discretion.

- Brenda Thomas (FCOG) presented on the outreach.

This item is informational only, no action is needed.

D. Measure C Renewal Update [INFORMATION] (Robert Phipps)

Summary: Following Fresno COG Policy Board direction to begin developing the expenditure plan for the 2026 Measure C renewal effort, Fresno COG and Fresno County Transportation Authority (FCTA) staff have produced a list of stakeholder categories recommended to solicit for seats on the Measure C Renewal Committee.

The Measure C Renewal Committee, as it is being called generically at this point, is a work in progress that is envisioned to potentially subdivide to form one or more subcommittees based on particular categories of expenditures. While its membership has not yet been identified, Fresno COG and FCTA staff have homed in on broad groupings of stakeholders that have a particular interest in helping shape the revised expenditure plan and the broader renewal effort generally.

The Committee would be loosely structured in the beginning, guided closely by a strong facilitator, with the expectation that additional parameters and guidelines for discussion, along with specific actions, products or deliverables, would become a regular outcome of each meeting.

Staff recommends the Committee membership include the following stakeholder categories: all 16 local jurisdictions within Fresno County; active transportation interests; Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)/seniors; agriculture; aviation; building and development; business; Caltrans; community-based organizations; construction; education; emergency services/public safety; environmental organizations/interests; trucking industry; health and welfare interests; organized labor; political advocates; transit; and the public.

Fresno COG and FCTA staff would attend each meeting in a technical capacity to answer questions and clarify information, but not play a role in deliberations.

Action: Information only. The Roundtable may provide direction at its discretion.

- Robert Phipps (FCOG) reported on the Measure C update.

This item is informational only, no action is needed.

III. OTHER ITEMS

A. Items from Staff

- Paul Herman (FCOG) reminder that there are no meetings in December.

B. Items from Members

- None

IV. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

There were no public presentations.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Members of the Public:

Moses Stites, FCRTA

Terry Ogle, FCTA

FCOG Staff:

Paul Herman, Robert Phipps, Denise Flores, Brenda Thomas, Santosh Bhattarai, Kai Han, Shichen Fan.